



ABC Update August 2014

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ABC Welcomes New Program Coordinator in the Education Branch

Margaret Clark has worked in the training field for over 10 years. Prior to joining Kentucky Alcoholic Beverage Control as program coordinator, she was an Adult Education Instructor of Bluegrass Community and Technical College. Margaret has a Bachelor's and a Master's Degree in Psychology. She and her husband, Ken, reside in Boyle County. Welcome Margaret.

Legal Counsel Addresses Kentucky Bar Association Annual Convention

Peter F. Ervin, Executive Director for Office of Legal Services, Public Protection Cabinet and Stephen B. Humphress, General Counsel for the Kentucky Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC), were the featured speakers at the 2014 Kentucky Bar Association (KBA) Annual Convention in Covington, KY. The conference, held June 18-20 at the Northern Kentucky Convention Center, was attended by over 1,800 attorneys from throughout the state. During the presentation Ervin addressed recent litigation effecting ABC and Humphress discussed the history of the ABC, as well as provided detailed information regarding key changes to Local Option and Licensing Laws as a result of Senate Bill 13.

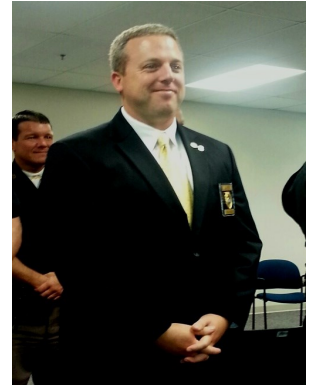
FDA/ABC Celebrate Fifth Anniversary of the Tobacco Control Act

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) celebrated the fifth anniversary of the passage of the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act in June. Signed by President Obama in 2009, the Tobacco Control Act gives the FDA the authority to regulate tobacco products and prevent and reduce tobacco use by young people by enforcing the minimum legal age to purchase tobacco products. The Act also prohibits false or misleading labeling and advertising for tobacco products and gives authority to the FDA to enforce all the provisions of this law.

Kentucky is one of several states across the country that has been awarded a FDA contract to enforce the provisions of the Tobacco Control Act. Since 2011, ABC investigators have conducted undercover buys, as well as advertising and labeling tobacco inspections each month in accordance with the FDA Tobacco Compliance Check contract. To date, ABC investigators have conducted over 7,000 inspections and issued 110 Warning Letters. Three non-compliant retailers have been issued Civil Money Penalties. "It is our honor and a privilege to assist the FDA in this most worthwhile endeavor," said ABC Commissioner Frederick Higdon. "Our investigators are trained and experienced in tobacco inspections. These FDA checks fit well within our overall priority to ensure compliant tobacco sales in Kentucky."

ABC Investigator Officer Completes Advanced Police Supervision Training

Investigator Ian Thurman recently represented the Kentucky Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) at the Kentucky Department of Criminal Justice Training Academy of Police Supervision (APS). Thurman, one of 20 law enforcement officers from 18 agencies across the state, was recognized for completing the 120-hour training program. APS is for newly promoted sergeants/supervisors or officers who are on their agency's promotion list to become sergeants.



Over the course of three weeks, participants attended classes on a variety of topics including the role of a supervisor, situational leadership, resolving conflict, managing diversity, monitoring officer performance, ethics, interpersonal communication and emotional survival. The 2014 graduating class is the 56th to complete APS since the program began in 2003.

"As Kentucky law enforcement officers, it's great to have an opportunity to take part in training opportunities through the Department of Criminal Justice Training," said ABC Enforcement Director Mike Razor. "We are proud of Investigator Thurman and the commitment he has made to the success of our department."

2014 Legislative Changes

As reported in previous issues of the Kentucky Beverage Journal, several new laws became effective on July 15, 2014. Over the course of the next several months, the Department will continue to publish articles regarding these changes and how they will impact the alcohol industry. In the interim, please be sure to visit the ABC website at www.abc.ky.gov for information or access to the new licensing forms.

Class Schedule for August and September

Date	Time	City	County	Location
08/11/2014	5:00PM	Frankfort	Franklin	Kentucky Alcoholic Beverage Control
08/11/2014	5:00PM	Owensboro	Daviess	Cigar Factory Mall
08/12/2014	9:00AM	Paducah	McCracken	City Hall
08/16/2014	9:00AM	Lexington	Fayette	Four Points by Sheraton
08/18/2014	6:00PM	Louisville	Jefferson	Ramada Conference Center
08/19/2014	9:00AM	Corbin	Whitley	City Hall-Corbin
08/25/2014	9:00AM	Hazard	Perry	Kentucky River ADD/Perry Park
08/26/2014	5:00PM	Lexington	Fayette	Four Points Sheraton
08/26/2014	5:00PM	Murray	Calloway	Murray State University Curris Center
08/26/2014	9:00AM	Florence	Boone	Florence Government Center
09/02/2014	9:00AM	Louisville	Jefferson	Ramada Conference Center
09/02/2014	9:00AM	Lexington	Fayette	Four Points by Sheraton
09/08/2014	9:00AM	Frankfort	Franklin	Kentucky Alcoholic Beverage Control
09/08/2014	9:00AM	Owensboro	Daviess	Cigar Factory Mall
09/09/2014	9:00AM	Somerset	Pulaski	Hampton Inn
09/09/2014	5:00PM	Paducah	McCracken	City Hall
09/15/2014	9:00AM	Prestonsburg	Floyd	Jenny Wiley SRP
09/15/2014	9:00AM	Hopkinsville	Christian	Hampton Inn
09/16/2014	9:00AM	Danville	Boyle	Inter-County Energy Co-op
09/20/2014	9:00AM	Lexington	Fayette	Four Points by Sheraton
09/22/2014	9:00AM	Campbellsville	Taylor	Campbellsville Civic Center
09/23/2014	9:00AM	Elizabethtown	Hardin	Pritchard Community Center